

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 7 and 13 to 15 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, now read as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An image processing method which is used to confirm a layout of an image which is to be formed onto a first recording medium on the basis of an application, the first recording medium being of a disk shape and set in a dedicated tray of a printer, said method comprising:

a forming step of forming the image based on said application;

a first displaying step of displaying an external shape of the first recording medium based on a diameter ~~outer circumference~~ of the first recording medium;

a second displaying step of displaying outer and inner boundaries, defining a label area therebetween inside the displayed external shape ~~outer circumference~~; and

a third displaying step of displaying the image so that a portion of the formed image corresponding to the label area and a portion of the image corresponding to an area which would overflow the label area can be discriminated,

wherein the label area is suitable for printing on the first recording medium.

2. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, further comprising a discriminating step of discriminating, by a discriminating unit, whether a first mode of forming the image onto the first recording medium has been set or a second mode of forming the image onto a second recording medium having a shape mismatched with the dedicated tray has been set,

wherein, if it is determined in said discriminating step that the first mode has been set, said display control step is executed.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, further comprising recognizing a type of the first recording medium,

wherein said second displaying step determines and displays the outer and inner boundaries in accordance with the recognized type of the first recording medium.

5. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 2, further comprising a selecting step of selecting, by a selecting unit, whether said first displaying step, said second displaying step and said third displaying step are executed or not,

wherein, if it is determined in said discriminating step that said second mode has been set and if it is selected in said selecting step that said first displaying step, said second displaying step and said third displaying step are executed, said first displaying step, said second displaying step and said third displaying step are executed.

6. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said image processing method is a method which is used to display a print preview of print data formed by an arbitrary application before the print data is print-processed, and

in said display control step, in the case of print-outputting the print data onto the first recording medium including a CD or a DVD, a process for displaying the image so that a difference between a portion which is printed onto the first recording medium and a portion which would overflow the first recording medium can be visually discriminated.

7. (Currently amended) An image processing apparatus comprising:

an image forming unit configured to form an image which is to be formed onto a first recording medium on the basis of an application, the first recording medium being of a disk shape and set in a dedicated tray of a printer; and

a display control unit configured to display an external shape of the first recording medium based on a diameter ~~outer circumference~~ of the first recording medium and to display outer and inner boundaries, defining a label area therebetween inside the external shape ~~outer circumference~~, wherein said display control unit is configured to display the image so that a portion of the image formed by said image forming unit corresponding to the label area and a portion of the image corresponding an area which would overflow the label area can be discriminated,

wherein the label area is suitable for printing on the first recording medium.

8. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising a discriminating unit configured to discriminate whether a first mode of forming the image onto the first recording medium has been set or a second mode of forming the image onto a second recording medium having a shape mismatched with the dedicated tray has been set,

wherein, if it is determined by said discriminating unit that the first mode has been set, said display control unit controls the displaying process.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising a recognizing unit configured to recognize a type of the first recording medium,

wherein said second displaying unit determines and displays the outer and inner boundaries in accordance with the type of the first recording medium recognized by said recognizing unit.

11. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 8, further comprising a selecting unit configured to select whether said display control unit is made operative or not,

wherein, if it is determined by said discriminating unit that the first mode has been set and if it is selected by said selecting unit that said display control unit is made operative, said display control unit controls the displaying process.

12. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 7, wherein before print data formed by an arbitrary application is print-processed, said display control unit controls a process for displaying a print preview of the print data, and in the case of print-outputting the print data onto the first recording medium including a CD or a DVD, said display control unit controls a process for displaying the image so that a difference between a portion which is

printed onto the first recording medium and a portion which would overflow the first recording medium can be visually discriminated.

13. (Currently amended) A computer-readable memory medium which stores a program for allowing a computer to execute an image processing method which is used to confirm a layout of an image which is to be formed onto a first recording medium on the basis of an application, the first recording medium being of a disk shape and set in a dedicated tray of a printer, wherein said program comprises:

a forming step of forming the image based on said application;

a first displaying step of displaying an external shape of the first recording medium based on a diameter ~~outer circumference~~ of the first recording medium;

a second displaying step of displaying outer and inner boundaries, defining a label area therebetween inside the displayed external shape ~~outer circumference~~; and

a third displaying step of displaying the image so that a portion of the formed image corresponding to the label area and a portion of the image corresponding to an area which would overflow the label area can be discriminated,

wherein the label area is suitable for printing on the first recording medium.

14. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 4, wherein said second displaying step determines and displays the outer and inner boundaries such that the boundaries vary for respective types, even if the external shape based on the diameter of the first recording medium ~~outer circumference~~ is constant.

15. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said second displaying unit determines and displays the outer and inner boundaries such that the boundaries vary for respective types, even if the external shape based on the diameter of the first recording medium outer circumference is constant.